

Brian F. Holeman, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

2 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

5 Coast Guard nominations in the rank of admiral.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

A routine list in the Foreign Service.

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—195) Pages S6911, S6920, S6941, S6944–45

Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 10:34 p.m., until 8:30 a.m., on Friday, May 23, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6945.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

STEM CELL RESEARCH

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies concluded hearings to examine federal funding for human embryonic stem cell research, focusing on increasing the availability of stem cell lines for federal research, training scientists for technically-challenging cells, and basic pre-clinical research relative to the treatment of injuries and diseases, after receiving testimony from Elias Zerhouni, Director, and James Battey, Director, National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders, and Ronald McKay, Senior Investigator, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, both of the National Institutes of Health, all of the

Department of Health and Human Services; John A. Kessler, Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine, Evanston, Illinois; James Cordy, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on behalf of the Coalition for the Advancement of Medical Research; and Roy Ogle, University of Virginia Medical School, Charlottesville.

APPROPRIATIONS: AGRICULTURE/FDA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies concluded hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of Agriculture and the Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, after receiving testimony from Eric M. Bost, Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services, Elsa A. Murano, Under Secretary for Food Safety, and William T. Hawks, Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs, all of the Department of Agriculture; and Mark B. McClellan, Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Department of Health and Human Services.

APPROPRIATIONS: DOE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior concluded hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Department of Energy, after receiving testimony from Spencer Abraham, Secretary of Energy.

APPROPRIATIONS: HIGHWAY SAFETY INITIATIVES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, Treasury and General Government concluded hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for highway safety initiatives, focusing on developing a plan to research and enact effective data-driven programs to reduce the number of highway fatalities, after receiving testimony from Jeffrey Runge, Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Annette M. Sandberg, Acting Administrator, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, both of the Department of Transportation; Wendy Hamilton, Mothers Against Drunk Driving, Irving, Texas; and Chuck Hurley, National Safety Council, Itasca, Illinois.

U.S. ECONOMY

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded oversight hearings to examine issues relating to the U.S. economy, focusing on increasing investments in the equity markets, after receiving testimony from Peter R. Fisher, Under Secretary of the Treasury for Domestic Finance; Wayne D. Angell, Angell Economics, Arlington, Virginia; James W. Stuckert, J.J.B. Hilliard and W.L. Lyons

Incorporated, Louisville, Kentucky; and Mark Zandi, Economy.com, West Chester, Pennsylvania.

MEDIA OWNERSHIP

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings to examine media ownership, focusing on localism, diversity, and competition in broadcast television, and the Federal Communication Commission's ban on newspaper/broadcast cross-ownership, after receiving testimony from Senator Allard; Rupert Murdoch, News Corporation, Gene Kimmelman, Consumers Union, on behalf of Consumers Union and the Consumer Federation of America, and Kent W. Mikkelsen, Economists Incorporated, all of Washington, D.C.; and Thomas Fontana, Fontana-Levinson Company, New York, New York, on behalf of the Writers Guild of America, East and the Caucus for Television Producers, Writers and Directors, and the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists.

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS AND COMPETITION ACT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications concluded hearings to examine S. 564, to facilitate the deployment of wireless telecommunications networks in order to further the availability of the Emergency Alert System, and issues relating to providing wireless broadband in rural areas, after receiving testimony from Antoinette Cook Bush, Northpoint Technology, Ltd., and Thomas W. Hazlett, Manhattan Institute for Policy Research, both of Washington, D.C.; Andrew S. Wright, Satellite Broadcasting and Communications Association, Alexandria, Virginia; Harold Kirkpatrick, MDS America, Stuart, Florida; and Larry Roadman, Margaretville Telephone Company Incorporated, New York.

SAFETEA

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Competition, Foreign Commerce and Infrastructure concluded hearings to examine S. 1072, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, (also known as SAFETEA (Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act of 2003)), after receiving testimony from Jeffrey W. Runge, Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation; Peter Guerrero, Physical Infrastructure Team, General Accounting Office; Jacqueline S. Gillan, Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety, Robert Strassberger, Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers, and Richard Ber- man, American Beverage Licensees/American Beverage Institute, all of Washington, D.C.; Wendy J. Hamilton, Mothers Against Drunk Driving, Irving,

Texas; and Kathryn Swanson, Minnesota Office of Traffic Safety, St. Paul, on behalf of the Governors Highway Safety Association.

IRAQ

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee held hearings to examine Iraq stabilization and reconstruction, focusing on U.S. policy and plans, security, the political situation, the international community, the Coalition and the United Nations, military organization, troop strength, and rules of engagement, receiving testimony from Paul Wolfowitz, Deputy Secretary of Defense; and General Peter Pace, Vice Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Hearings continue on Wednesday, June 4, 2003.

INDIAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine the status of telecommunications in Indian Country, focusing on establishing telecommunication infrastructures in tribal communities, after receiving testimony from K. Dane Snowden, Chief, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission; Hilda Gay Legg, Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Rural Development, Department of Agriculture; Kelly Klegar Levy, Associate Administrator, Office of Policy Analysis and Development, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Department of Commerce; Kade L. Twist, Kade L. Twist Consulting, Tempe, Arizona; Roanne Robinson Shaddox, Privacy Council, Incorporated, Washington, D.C., and Marcia Warren Edelman, Reston, Virginia, both of the Native Networking Policy Center; Richard P. Narcia, Gila River Indian Community, Sacaton, Arizona; Nora McDowell, Fort Mojave Tribe, Needles, California; Madonna Peltier Yawaki, Turtle Island Communications, Fort Yates, North Dakota; Gerald Monette, Turtle Mountain Community College, Belcourt, North Dakota, on behalf of the American Indian Higher Education Consortium; Valerie Fast-Horse, Couer d'Alene Tribe of Idaho, Plummer, on behalf of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians; Denis Turner, Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association, Valley Center, California; Cora Whiting-Hildebrand, Oglala Lakota Sioux Tribe, Pine Ridge, South Dakota; Gene Dejordy, Western Wireless Corporation, Bellevue, Washington; Mike Strand, Montana Independent Telecommunications Systems, Helena; and Ben H. Standifer, Jr., Tohono O'odham Nation, Sells, Arizona.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 554, to allow media coverage of court proceedings;

S. 1023, to increase the annual salaries of justices and judges of the United States, with amendments;

S. 858, to extend the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission;

S. Res. 136, recognizing the 140th anniversary of the founding of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, and congratulating members and officers of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers for the union's many achievements;

S. Res. 92, designating September 17, 2003 as "Constitution Day";

S. Res. 145, designating June 2003, as "National Safety Month"; and

The nominations of Michael Chertoff, of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, and Robert D. McCallum, Jr., of Georgia, to be Associate Attorney General, and Peter D. Keisler, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Attorney General, both of the Department of Justice.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings to examine the nominations of Richard C. Wesley, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, who was introduced by Senators Schumer and Clinton, and Representative Reynolds; J. Ronnie Greer, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee, who was introduced by Senators Frist and Alexander, Thomas M. Hardiman, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania, who was introduced by Senators Specter and Santorum, Mark R. Kravitz, to be United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut, who was introduced by Senator Dodd, and John A. Woodcock, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the District of Maine, who was introduced by Senators Snowe and Collins, after each nominee testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 76 public bills, H.R. 2203–2278; 3 private bills, H.R. 279–281; and 18 resolutions, H.J. Res. 57–58, H. Con. Res. 190–201, and H.Res. 250–252, 254, were introduced.

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Additional Sponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1086, to encourage the development and promulgation of voluntary consensus standards by providing relief under the antitrust laws to standards development organizations with respect to conduct engaged in for the purpose of developing voluntary consensus standards (H. Rept. 108–125); **Page H4733**

Conference report on H.R. 2, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 201 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2004 (H. Rept. 108–126);

H.R. 1119, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide compensatory time for employees in the private sector (H. Rept. 108–127);

H.R. 238, to provide for Federal energy research, development, demonstration, and commercial application activities, amended (H. Rept. 108–128, Part 1); and

H. Res. 253, waiving points of order against the conference report on H.R. 2, to provide for reconcili-

ation pursuant to section 201 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2004 (H. Rept. 108–129). **Pages H4625–H4706, H4733**

Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act:

The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 201 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2004, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Chairman Thomas and Representatives DeLay, and Rangel. **Pages H4534–42**

Agreed to the Stenholm motion that instructs conferees to (1) include in the conference report the fiscal relief provided to States by section 371 of the Senate amendment, and (2) to the maximum extent possible within the scope of conference agree to a conference report that will neither increase the Federal budget deficit nor increase the amount of the debt subject to the public debt limit. **Pages H4534–42**

Same Day Consideration Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act Conference Report:

The House agreed to H. Res. 249, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules by recorded vote of 218 ayes to 202 noes, Roll No. 212; and agreed to order the previous question by yea-and-nay vote of 221 yeas to 202 nays, Roll No. 211. **Pages H4558–64**